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The Secretary-General presents his compliments to the President of the Security Council and, in accordance with paragraph 8 of Security Council resolution 816 (1993), has the honour to bring to his attention further information received by the United Nations Protection Force (UNPROFOR) regarding apparent violations of the ban on flights in the airspace of Bosnia and Herzegovina.

Between 28 and 30 January 1994, there appear to have been 20 flights of fixed- or rotary-wing aircraft in the airspace of Bosnia and Herzegovina other than those exempted in accordance with paragraph 2 of that resolution. Details as to the itinerary of flights in this reporting period are annexed to the present note.

Please note that the total number of flights assessed is now 1,316.

Annex

Information on flights in the airspace of Bosnia and Herzegovina not authorized by the United Nations Protection Force

(28-30 January 1994)

Serial No.	Date	Start	End	Remarks	Heading, speed, altitude
1319	28 Jan.	0044	0138	AWACS made radar contact with an MI-8 helicopter 9 kilometres north-east of Posusje, heading north. North Atlantic Treaty Organization (NATO) fighter aircraft investigated and made visual contact. The helicopter turned south 5 kilometres north-west of Vitez. At 0108 hours UNPROFOR personnel observed the helicopter and NATO fighter aircraft south of Vitez. AWACS lost radar contact 3 kilometres east of Posusje. The unauthorized flight occurred in an area controlled by Bosnian Croats.	North-east then south-west 5,900 feet 95 knots
1320	28 Jan.	0208	0242	AWACS made radar contact with a track 2 kilometres south of Posusje, heading north-east. NATO fighter aircraft investigated and made radar contact but not visual one. At 0214 hours, UNPROFOR personnel heard a helicopter and jets at low altitude circling around the Vitez Camp, then heading south. AWACS and NATO fighter aircraft lost radar contact in Vitez. The unauthorized flight occurred in an area controlled by Bosnian Croats.	North-east 13,000 feet 95 knots
1321	28 Jan.	0305	0332	AWACS made radar contact with a track 32 kilometres north-west of Gorni Vakuf, heading south-east. The radar contact faded 17 kilometres south of Jablanica. The unauthorized flight occurred between an area controlled by the Government of Bosnia and Herzegovina and one controlled by Bosnian Croats.	South 9,800 feet 95 knots
1322	28 Jan.	0900	1430	This flight began as a requested MEDEVAC from Pale to Zvornik and return. It became a violation when the green MI-8 helicopter with a Serb flag and red cross (Reg. No. 12369) took off from Pale with authorization. The return flight from Zvornik to Pale was 4 hours and 41 minutes. The normal flight-time is 45 minutes. The unauthorized flight occurred in an area controlled by Bosnian Serbs.	North-east Low Slow
1323	28 Jan.	1011	1038	AWACS made radar contact 11 kilometres north-east of Posusje, heading north-east. NATO fighter aircraft investigated and made visual contact with a dark green helicopter, which changed direction twice and landed 17 kilometres north-east of Tomislavgrad. The unauthorized flight occurred in an area controlled by Bosnian Croats.	Various Low 138 knots
1324	28 Jan.	1059	1101	United Nations military observers observed a white MI-8 helicopter with blue stripes, circling 3 to 4 kilometres north-west of Zenica. The helicopter headed towards Zenica and landed there at 1101 hours. The unauthorized flight occurred in an area controlled by the Government of Bosnia and Herzegovina.	South-east Low Unknown

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1325	28 Jan.	1114	1348	United Nations military observers observed a white MI-17 helicopter with blue stripes and a red cross on the sides and belly (Tail No. T9-HAG) take off from Zenica, heading north-east at medium altitude. The same helicopter was observed several times in the vicinity of Zenica before it finally landed. The unauthorized flight occurred in an area controlled by the Government of Bosnia and Herzegovina.	Various Medium Unknown
1326	28 Jan.	1538	1547	AWACS made radar contact 11 kilometres north-east of Posusje, heading east. The track faded 11 kilometres south-west of Jablanica. This unauthorized flight occurred in an area controlled by Bosnian Croats.	East 7,000 feet 65 knots
1327	28 Jan.	1604	1617	AWACS made radar contact 15 kilometres east of Tomislavgrad, heading south. The track faded 5 kilometres east of Posusje. The unauthorized flight occurred in an area controlled by Bosnian Croats.	South 12,000 feet 95 knots
1328	29 Jan.	0443	0524	AWACS made radar contact 15 kilometres south-west of Prozor, heading north-east. NATO fighter aircraft investigated and made radar contact but no visual contact owing to the weather. The contact reversed heading 10 kilometres south-east of Prozor and manoeuvred around a point 15 kilometres north-west of Jablanica. The contact finally headed south-west and exited the no-fly zone west of Posusje. The unauthorized flight occurred in an area controlled by Bosnian Croats.	North-east - south-west 10,000 feet 110 knots
1329	30 Jan.	1011	1338	United Nations military observers observed a white MI-17 helicopter (Tail No. T9-HAG) with blue stripes and a red cross on the sides and the belly flying from Zenica, heading south-east. The same helicopter was later observed returning to Zenica from the south-east. The unauthorized flight occurred in an area controlled by the Government of Bosnia and Herzegovina.	South-east Low Slow
1330	30 Jan.	1035	1036	United Nations military observers observed a white MI-8 helicopter with blue stripes and a red cross on the sides and the belly flying towards Zenica from the south-east. The unauthorized flight occurred in an area controlled by the Government of Bosnia and Herzegovina.	North-west Low Slow
1331	30 Jan.	1128	1256	United Nations military observers observed a white MI-8 helicopter with blue stripes and a red cross on the sides and belly flying from Zenica, heading south-east. The same helicopter was later observed returning to Zenica from the south-east. The unauthorized flight occurred in an area controlled by the Government of Bosnia and Herzegovina.	South-east Low Slow
1332	30 Jan.	1305	1306	United Nations military observers observed a white MI-8 helicopter with blue stripes and a red cross flying 10 kilometres south of Tuzla, heading north-east. The unauthorized flight occurred in an area controlled by the Government of Bosnia and Herzegovina.	North-east Low Slow

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1333	30 Jan.	1342	1513	United Nations military observers observed a white MI-8 helicopter with blue stripes and a red cross on the sides and the belly flying from Zenica, heading south-east. The same helicopter was later observed returning to Zenica from the south-east. The helicopter was observed landing at Zenica hospital, where a woman and child, two soldiers with minor wounds and three soldiers on stretchers were taken off the helicopter. The unauthorized flight occurred in an area controlled by the Government of Bosnia and Herzegovina.	South-east Low Slow
1334	30 Jan.	1415	1558	United Nations military observers observed a white MI-17 helicopter (Tail No. T9-HAG) with blue stripes and a red cross on the sides and the belly flying from Zenica, heading south-east. The same helicopter was later observed returning to Zenica from the south-east. The unauthorized flight occurred in an area controlled by the Government of Bosnia and Herzegovina.	South-east Low Slow
1335	30 Jan.	1521	1558	United Nations military observers observed a white MI-8 helicopter (Tail No. T9-HAG) with blue stripes and a red cross on the sides and the belly flying from Zenica, heading south-west. The same helicopter was later observed returning to Zenica from the south-east. The unauthorized flight occurred in an area controlled by the Government of Bosnia and Herzegovina.	South-west Low Slow
1336	30 Jan.	2126	2218	AWACS made radar contact 16 kilometres south-east of Prozor, heading north. NATO fighter aircraft investigated and made visual contact with an MI-8 helicopter. The helicopter flew to the vicinity of Vitez, reversed heading and contact was lost 5 kilometres west of Posusje. UNPROFOR personnel heard the helicopter and NATO fighter aircraft in the area of Vitez at 2153 hours. The unauthorized flight occurred in an area controlled by Bosnian Croats.	North then south Unknown 88 knots
1337	30 Jan.	2238	2334	AWACS made radar contact with an MI-8 helicopter 5 kilometres west of Posusje, heading north. NATO fighter aircraft investigated and made visual contact. The helicopter flew to 3 kilometres north of Vitez, reversed heading and contact was lost when the helicopter landed in the vicinity of Posusje. UNPROFOR personnel observed the helicopter being engaged by anti-aircraft artillery ground fire in the vicinity of Vitez at 2303 hours. The unauthorized flight occurred in an area controlled by Bosnian Croats.	North then south 13,000 feet Unknown
1338	30 Jan.	2335	0014	AWACS made radar contact with an MI-8 helicopter 8 kilometres north-east of Posusje, heading north. NATO fighter aircraft investigated and made visual contact. The helicopter was observed by NATO fighter aircraft and UNPROFOR personnel landing 5 kilometres west of Vitez. The unauthorized flight occurred in an area controlled by Bosnian Croats.	North 10,000 feet 100 knots